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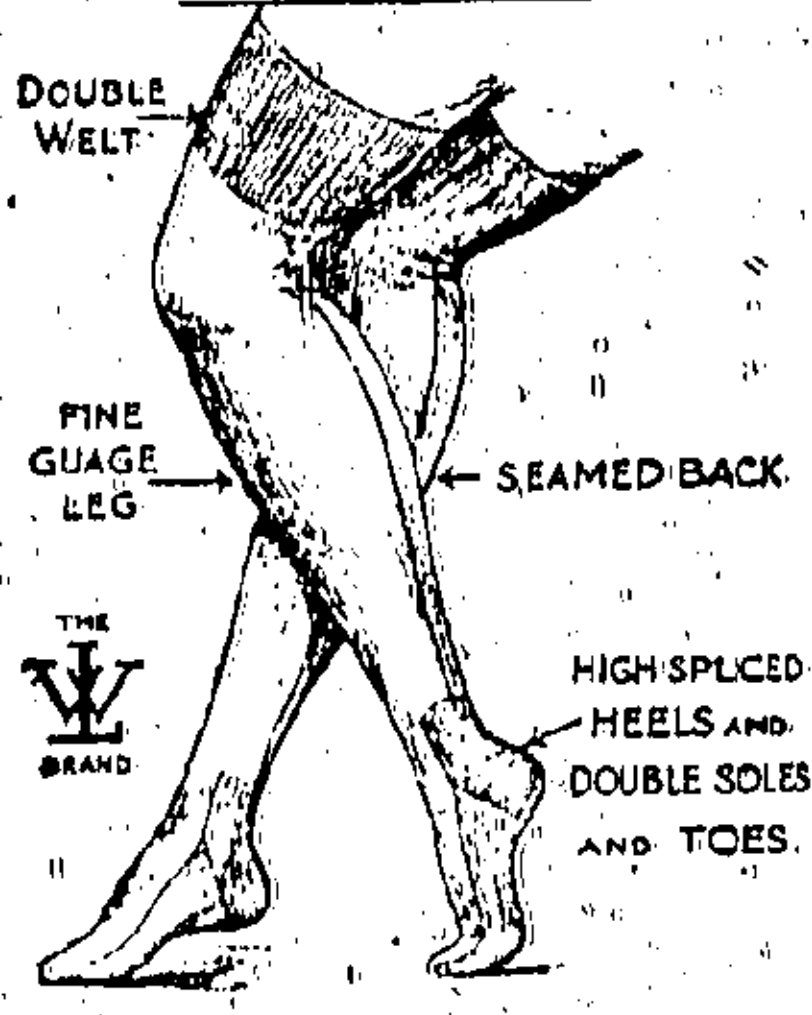


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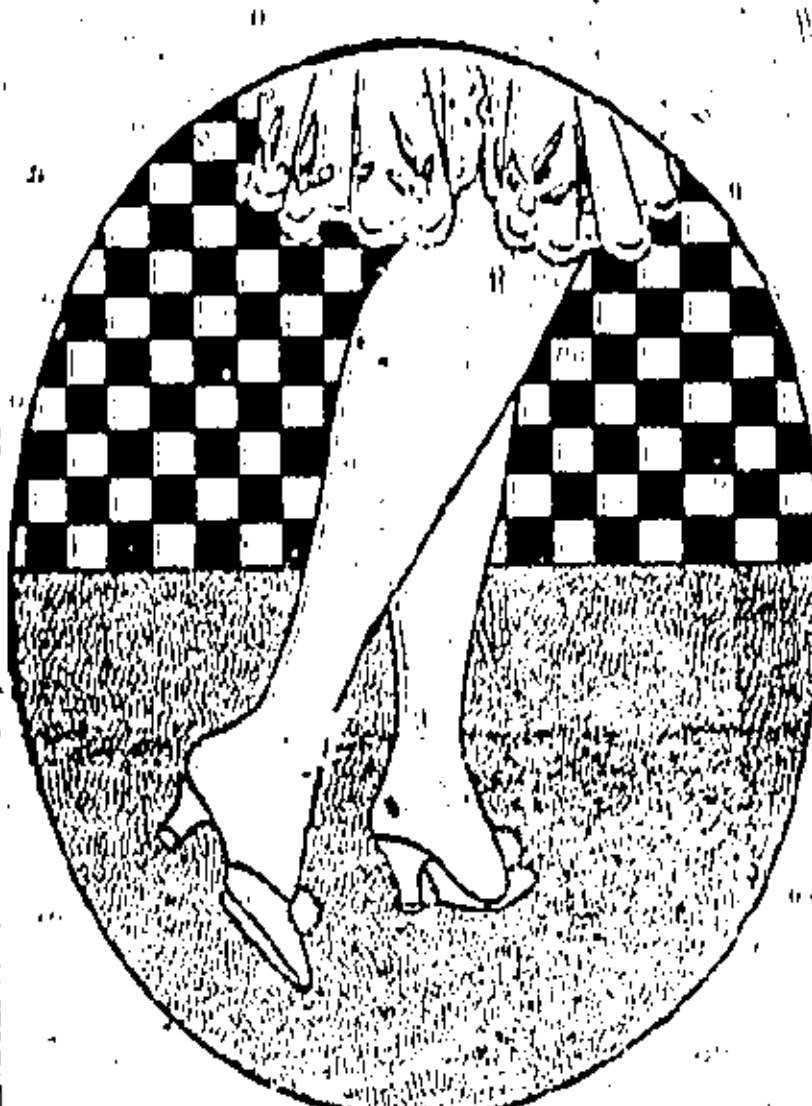
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SHANGHAI SENSATION.

POLICE SURROUND SOVIET CONSULATE.
VISITORS SEARCHED.

FURNACE ROOM LITTERED WITH PAPERS.

Following the Peking raid, the Shanghai Soviet Consulate has been surrounded under orders from the Municipal Council, all ingress and egress being barred. Visitors are being searched. When a basement window was broken the furnace room floor was seen to be heavily littered with papers apparently about to be burned.

BONFIRE ATTEMPT.

German Correspondent's Angry Outburst.

Shanghai, April 8.
This evening the police with a contingent of White Russians from the Volunteer Corps, surrounded the Soviet Consulate, barring all ingress and egress.

It appears that there is no intention of raiding the building but although no official reason is given for the action, it is stated this precautionary measure may continue for some days.

One visitor stopped was Mr. Kuo Tai-chi, the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, whom the police refused admittance unless he agreed to be searched. He refused and departed.

When a basement window was broken there was revealed the furnace room floor heavily littered with papers which apparently were about to be burned.

Among later visitors to the consulate was Mr. Salzmann, the correspondent of the "Vossische Zeitung" who on being searched on coming out, remarked angrily: "You will regret this when you see the telegram I am sending to Germany."

Consul Indignant.

Later, the Municipal Police permitted several Soviet officials to leave the consulate after searching and turned back those refusing to be searched.

Several pressmen interviewed the Consul General, M. Linde, who is very indignant at the Municipality's action and intimated that a special meeting of the Consular Body is being held tomorrow to consider action in the matter.—Reuter.

CHINESE PROTEST.

Shanghai, April 8.
The National Commissioner for Foreign Affairs yesterday evening called on the British Consul General and protested against the police attitude at the Soviet Consulate.

The Consul General referred the Commissioner to the Municipal authorities, who furnished a police guard enabling the Commissioner to enter the Soviet Consulate without further opposition.

The Nationalist Commissioner made a statement that the Municipality's action outraged international rights, and promised formally to protest to the Council.—Reuter.

MOSCOW'S SURPRISE.

Soviet Government Seeks Information.

Moscow, April 7.
A semi-official statement giving an account of the incident, at Peking says that full details are not yet available.

"The Foreign Commissariat has made enquiries from the Chinese Charge d'Affaires at Moscow and has also telegraphed the Foreign Minister at Peking." Up to the present no information has been received through either channel.

The statement points out that it is not clear whether the raid was effected by order of the Chinese Government local authorities or by an act of the Mukden generals.

It is also not clear how armed police and soldiers could appear in the inviolable legation quarter which could only be possible with the direct consent of the Powers.

Pending further information the Foreign Commissariat is abstaining from taking any steps.—Reuter.

QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

London, April 7.
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and other Labour members in the House of Commons pressed for information regarding the invasion of the Legation territory at Peking which was reported to have been done with the concurrence of the Diplomatic Corps, but Mr. G. Looker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, declined to make any statement on the matter until he was in possession of official information as to what occurred, which might be expected any moment.—Reuter.

UNANIMOUS.

Powers and Permit For Search.

Peking, April 4.
The decision to permit the raid on Soviet Embassy was reached at a meeting of Ministers of the protocol Powers at which it is understood unanimity was reached. The United States Minister (Mr. MacMurray) concurring with the others.

The permit was signed by the Dutch Minister, Mr. Oudendijk, as the Senior Minister.

A communique issued from Marshal Chang Tso-lin's headquarters regarding the matter states that "the search was effected after the Chinese authorities, on the presentation of a regular warrant from the judicial authorities, had received from the competent authorities of the Legation Quarter the necessary authorisation for the execution of the warrant."

The whole affair was evidently well known to all the Legations, for all the Powers Legation guards were fallen in and standing by when the affair began.—Reuter.

SOVIET PROTEST.

Terms of Powers' Permit Exceeded.

Peking, April 7.
The Soviet Charge d'Affaires, M. Chertkov, handed the "Times" this morning a copy of the Note of protest regarding the raid which he attempted to present at the Waichiao (Chinese Foreign Office) yesterday afternoon.

When he and the First Secretary went to the Waichiao they found the doors locked owing to the Chinese holiday.

The Note declares that the premises raided were part of the Em-

SHANGHAI CURFEW.

A cable received in Hong Kong this morning states that the Shanghai curfew hour has been altered to eleven o'clock. The hour was ten o'clock formerly, and the change is evidently due to more settled conditions.

hassy and should have been inviolable.

The Note accuses the police and soldiers of acting brutally to those arrested, mistreating women found in the residences.

The Note declares that the matter has been reported to Moscow, and Soviet action is awaited.

It is understood that the Diplomatic Corps intends to make a formal protest that the terms of the authorisation under which the armed men entered the quarter were exceeded, as the permit apparently was only for a search of the Dahl Bank. This, however, is regarded as a mere technical point which will not be pressed.—Reuter.

ANOTHER RAID.

Five Commercial Concerns Involved.

Tientsin, April 4.
Chinese police with search warrants counter-signed by the French Consul, raided five commercial concerns which are suspected of distributing Soviet propaganda.

They carried off allegedly suspicious documents for examination. The premises raided included the Dahl Bank, the Chinese Eastern Railway and the Central Mongolian Trading Company's offices.—Reuter.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Peking to Break With Moscow?

Peking, April 7.
The Ankuochun authorities state that yesterday's raid produced overwhelming evidence that the Soviet is deeply involved in plots to overthrow law and order in North China. The authorities are now studying the case and will hold the Shanghai Consular Body responsible.—Reuter.

BLOW TO REDS.

CHIANG'S DRASTIC MOVES.

AGITATORS EXECUTED

BAN ON COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA.

Shanghai, April 8.

The action against the Soviet in Peking, Tientsin and Shanghai synchronizes with the strengthening of an important anti-Communist move by General Chiang Kai-shek.

This is assuming two forms, firstly against the tyranny of the labour unions; and secondly against the propaganda of the Politician Bureau.

The Nationalist Generalissimo has issued strict orders that no civilian may possess arms in the street.



China's Chief of State, General Chiang Kai-shek, has taken drastic steps against the Reds.

This is aimed at the pickets and Communist civilian army.

Last night several armed agitators near the West Gate in the native city, refusing to disarm, were shot dead by Southern troops.

All the vernacular papers received a notice from General Chiang Kai-shek prohibiting the publication of anything from the Political Bureau at Hankow or any advertisement containing malicious propaganda, threatening punishment for disobedience.

This places an embargo on Communist propaganda in the area where the authors most want to spread it.

Moreover the Chinese newspapers, at Shanghai, besides circulating immensely in this populous province, are read everywhere up the Yangtze.

Hence the closing of their columns to the Political Bureau is probably the biggest blow the latter has received since the Communists secured control at Hankow.—Reuter.

drafted a protest at midnight to the Soviet Charge d'Affaires accusing the embassy of sheltering criminal plotters attempting to undermine the authority of established government.

The severance of relations by the Peking Government with Moscow is regarded in many quarters as probable. It transpires it was the Soviet military attaché who tried to burn the documents which allegedly revealed a widespread plot.

It is understood that over two hundred automatic pistols were discovered last evening as the search continued.—Reuter.

Soviet Consul's Views.
Shanghai, April 7.
Discussing the possible repercussions of yesterday's raid on the Soviet Embassy in Peking, Linde, the Soviet Consul General of Shanghai, in an interview to-day suggested that it was not impossible that the Embassy would be removed to Hankow.

He denounced the raid as an act of vandalism, which if it were actually approved by the Diplomatic Corps set a precedent endangering the foundation of diplomatic prerogatives.

M. Linde called on the Norwegian Consul General, the senior consul in Shanghai, and announced that the Soviet Consulate here was similarly raided. He would hold the Shanghai Consular Body responsible.—Reuter.

BRITONS IN CHINA.

FOREIGN SECRETARY'S STIRRING SPEECH.

POWERS' DEMANDS.

NEW BRIGADE TO STOP AT HONG KONG.

Trouncing a Labour leader who suggested that all British subjects in China should be repatriated, the Foreign Secretary made a stirring speech promising full protection while still seeking a settlement. Other important news items refer to the Powers' Nanking demands and the fresh Brigade which is to stop at Hong Kong at present.

BRITAIN'S HONOUR.

The Baseness of Labour's Policy.

London, April 7.

Mr. J. Wheatley's suggestion in the House of Commons yesterday that British subjects in China should be repatriated drew a strong condemnation from Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, in a speech at West Birmingham.

"We may have different views on economics and finance," said Sir Austen Chamberlain, "but is there a man who loves his country, who cares about his country's honour, or who has any regard for his country's interests who would support a Party whose policy in the face of such provocations is to desert its own fellow citizens and leave the country which they occur, abandoning all our interests to their fate?"

Folly of Force.

"We in anyway take a different view of the duties and responsibility of the British Government. We propose to afford protection as long as protection is needed to the great community at Shanghai, but we will remain ready, when a

IDENTIC NOTES.

The Reasons for the Delay Explained.

London, April 7.

The delay in presenting the identic notes regarding Nanking does not mean that there is any hitch in the negotiations between the three Powers.

It has been found that there are many matters to be discussed and a great many interests to be considered.

Discussion is believed to centre on the question whether certain points ought to be settled now or left to further discussion.

It is authoritatively stated that France or Italy may join in the protest. Negotiations are proceeding both at Rome and Paris.—Reuter.

HANKOW MEETINGS.

"Celebrating" the Japanese Incident.

Followed by a procession, large meetings, according to wireless messages received by the Hong Kong naval authorities, took place in the native city of Hankow on Wednesday, a holiday being held to "celebrate" the Japanese Concession.

Owing to the proximity of Chinese troops all round foreign districts, Japanese troops in strength are stationed in the Japanese Concession.

Anxiety of Population.
Signs of extreme apprehension are apparent among the Chinese population, due to the absence of trading facilities, the chaotic conditions existing and the threat of action by loyal Chiang Kai-shek troops from the South.

After months of dislocation of shipping, the Unions at Kiang have agreed to terms in connection with the strike of go-down men and stevedores—terms which were offered over three months ago.

Men-of-war and passing steamers are picking up, between Hankow and Wuhu, Spanish priests who, owing to the disturbed conditions and threats of violence, had hurriedly evacuated districts by means of junks.

Foreign Homes' Safety.
In order that he might place round the houses of British and American residents at Wuhu posters announcing that their personal safety and that of their belongings should be respected, the Chinese Commissioner for Foreign Affairs paid a visit to the Captain and foreign officials aboard H.M.S. "Caradoc" and asked for a list of remaining foreign residents and their addresses. His request was acceded to.

The Nationalist Split.
In an attempt to control the troops, amongst whom friction is developing owing to the division amongst them as to the merits of the case which is now splitting the Nationalist party into Moderates and Extremists, martial law has been declared in the city of Wuhu.

The discontent and division of opinion among the two sections are expected to develop into open friction.

Troops in Foreign Houses.
The Chinese military have seized nearly all foreign houses in the Concession at Chungking (where foreigners have evacuated) for the purpose of housing troops. As far as can be ascertained, no looting is taking place.

For the purpose of initiating an offensive against Sun Chuan-fang's troops, large movements of troops are expected Northward from Chungking in the course of the next few days.

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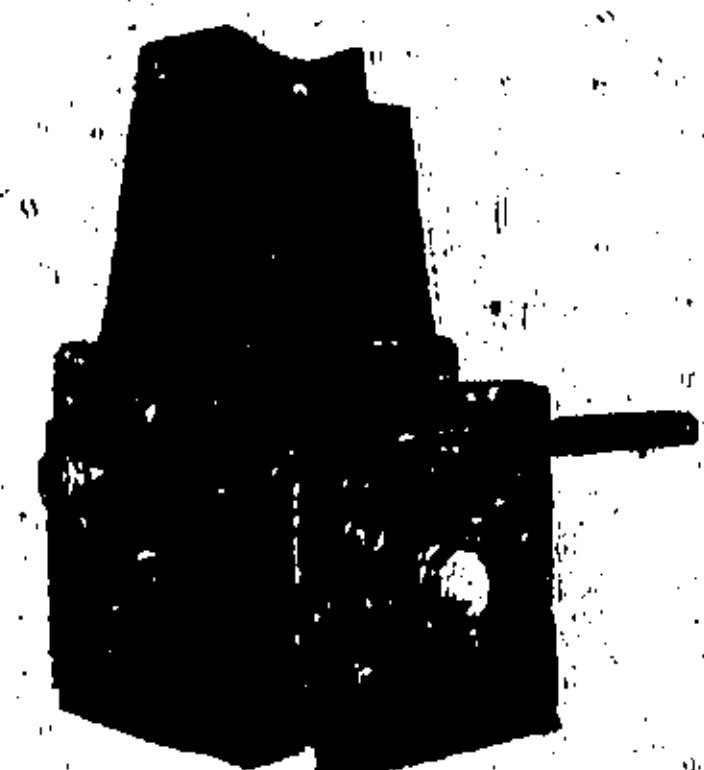
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ALIPONE	5,273	— April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
DELTA	3,097	27th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MALWA	19,041	30th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
LAHORE	8,252	10th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	8,553	11th May	S'pore, Pang, Colombo, B'way & K'chi
KHIVA	9,135	14th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
JEYPORE	5,318	20th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	26th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MORIE	10,918	28th May	Marseilles & London.
KASHMIR	9,005	11th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MANTUA	10,902	25th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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STEAMER	Tons	From Hongkong About	Destination
ARAFURA	5,600	29th April	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
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JEYPORE	7,648	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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KHIVA	9,135	18th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	28th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MORIE	10,918	29th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TANDA	5,958	8th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama

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OFF AGAIN.

BEIRES CONTINUES WORLD FLIGHT.

Pernambuco, April 7.
Major Sarmiento Beires has taken off and is continuing his world flight.—Reuter's American Service.

[An earlier cable from Pernambuco stated that Major Sarmiento Beires' seaplane was badly damaged in a crash in taking off Rio de Janeiro. The airman was unhurt.]

Italian Aviator's Accident.

Rome, April 7.
A telegram from the Marquis De Pinedo says that the seaplane burst into flames as a result of a stray match tossed by an individual aboard a motor boat while the machine was refuelling. There were no casualties.

De Pinedo immediately telegraphed to the Italian Ministry of Aeronautics, and M. Mussolini ordered an Italian airforce machine to be shipped to New York, in which it is expected De Pinedo will continue his flight early in May.—Reuter.

New York, April 7.
The Marquis de Pinedo has accepted the United States Government's offer to lend him an army aeroplane.—Reuter's American Service.

ANCIENT TOMBS.

REMARKABLE EGYPTIAN FIND.

Cairo, April 6.
"The superstructure was once cased in fine white limestone with rounded top and a great walled pit below, whence a stairway leads under rock to limestone-lined passages leading to a small chamber which is merely to deceive anyone trying to force an entrance while the real entrance is reached by an obscure tunnel in the rock itself."

Thus is the Third Dynasty tomb described in an official communiqué, which adds that certain names have been deciphered and figures identified. Underground storerooms were also discovered and an altar used for Sun worship.

A further communiqué describes the Vienna Academy's work on the pyramids at Ghiza and the discovery of many Fourth Dynasty tombs, one showing an evident marriage of convenience of a highborn but impoverished princess of the Senites to a rich, repulsive dwarf of the Senab.—Reuter.

CHICAGO'S MAYOR.

"EX-COWBOY" ELECTED FOR THIRD TERM.

New York, April 7.
The Republican, William Hale Thompson, ex-cowboy, has been elected Mayor of Chicago by a majority of 83,000, defeating the Democrat, William Dever.

The spectacle of 4,000 constables and 1,400 detectives, all armed, patrolling the streets afoot and in motor-cars prevented disorders and permitted a record poll of a million.

The only important mishap was the burning of Fulton Street Methodist Episcopal Church, the pastor of which is a strong Thompsonite.

The victory gives Thompson his third term of a four year mayoralty.—Reuter's American Service.

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T'au via Swatow & Shanghai	WAISHING	Wed. 13th April at 7 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Fri. 15th April at 8 p.m.
Bangkok via Singapore	KUMSANG	Fri. 15th April at 8 p.m.
Tientsin	CHIPSING	Sun. 17th April at 7 a.m.
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MAYERS COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

London, April 7.
Colin Mayers has been committed for trial. Bail has been refused.—Reuter.

[The retired naval lieutenant-commander, Colin Mayers, of Barrow-in-Furness, is charged with an offence under the Official Secrets Act. The charge relates to Submarines OI and XI, the latter being the largest in the world. The proceedings are being heard in camera.]

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INDIAN TRIAL.

BIG CONSPIRACY CASE SENTENCES.

Lucknow, April 7.
The biggest conspiracy case in India in recent years has ended, Justice Hamilton handing down judgment in the so-called Kakori conspiracy case.

This was the sequel to the holding up and robbing of a passenger train near Lucknow on August 9, 1925, revealing the existence of a widespread conspiracy in the United Provinces with the object of effecting an armed revolution to overthrow the Government, acting in conjunction with conspirators in Bengal.

Out of twenty-two accused three received the death sentence, one transportation and others terms of imprisonment ranging from fourteen years to six years except two who were acquitted, and two approvers who were pardoned.—Reuter.

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May 4	San Francisco	Amelia	June 1	Chgo-Singpn June 8
May 12	San Francisco	Gov. Washington	June 8	Chgo-Singpn June 15
May 20	San Francisco	Reville	June 15	Chgo-Singpn June 22
May 28	San Francisco	Amelia	June 22	Chgo-Singpn June 29
June 5	San Francisco	Gov. Washington	June 29	Chgo-Singpn July 6
June 13	San Francisco	Reville	July 6	Chgo-Singpn July 13
June 21	San Francisco	Amelia	July 13	Chgo-Singpn July 20
June 29	San Francisco	Gov. Washington	July 20	Chgo-Singpn July 27

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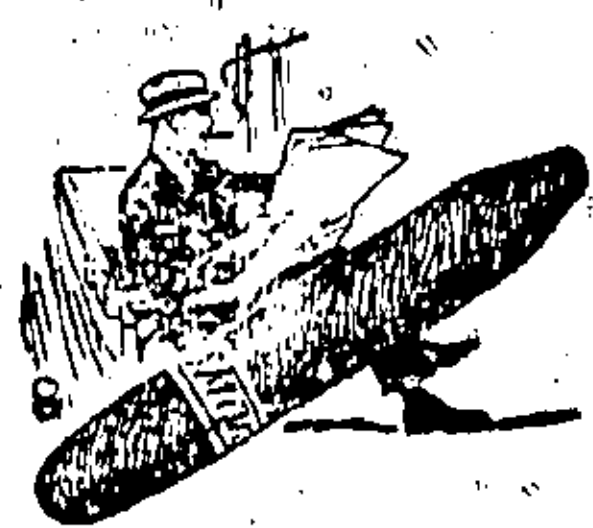
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BIRTH.

BOOTH.—On April 7, at the
French Hospital, to Marjorie,
the wife of L. H. V. Booth,
Police Headquarters, a son.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fox and
family beg to thank all friends and
relatives who attended the funeral
and also for the very many
condolences and wreaths received
during their sad bereavement.

Hong Kong, Friday, April 8, 1927.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH.

Sir Austen Chamberlain's
latest speech in the House of
Commons regarding China will be
welcomed by every British sub-
ject in the Far East, and we
imagine, by all the saner elements
among the Chinese, the latter
being just as anxious as we are to
reach a better understanding.
There can be no question that our
policy of patience and conciliation
has been misconstrued by the
Chinese extremists as it has been
deliberately misrepresented by
their Russian advisers. The im-
pression is abroad that the
Powers, and Britain in particular,
can be bullied with impunity. Sir
Austen Chamberlain's speech
should go far to correct that im-
pression. "The Government is
not prepared to be hustled out of
China and to withdraw its nation-
als from Shanghai and up country
places. It is not prepared to be
treated as though it had no right
to that to which it has treaty
right and as though the lives of
British subjects were of no account
to it." Those are plain words
whose meaning cannot be mis-
understood, and while they will
hearten every British subject in
the Far East, they will also, as we
have suggested, help the moder-
ate elements among the Chinese,
since they will have a sobering
effect on the extremist leaders.
This is exactly what the moder-
ates have been waiting for. They
realize as well as we do that fur-
ther concessions cannot possibly
be made as conditions are at pre-
sent, for as Sir Austen Chamber-
lain put it, "We must have the
knowledge that there exists in
China an authority which not only
undertakes to protect life and
property, but is in a position to
do so, and exercise its power
before we can run any further

risks to the lives and interests of
our own people." Sir Austen
Chamberlain took good care to ex-
plain that our policy remains the
same. "I recognise that the old
treaties are out of date. We
must move forward to a new
system, but the Chinese must
move too, and concurrently.
But before we can carry this
policy further, we must know
what will be the attitude of re-
sponsible Chinese authority with
regard to the outrages at Nan-
king." Nothing could be more
reasonable than that. Britain is
still anxious to make every con-
cession to China so that the last
cause of misunderstanding can be
swept away, but in the mean-
time it is a duty to herself—and
a kindness to China, be it added—
to protect the lives of her subjects
where the ability of the local
authorities to do so still remains
in doubt.

"Diplomatic Prerogatives."

The Soviet Consul-General in
Shanghai has, as was only to be
expected, protested against the
raid on the compound of the
Soviet Legation in Peking as "an
act of vandalism" and a "pre-
cedent endangering the founda-
tion of diplomatic prerogatives."
If the Soviet crowd in Peking had
been as scrupulous in the exercise
of their duties as M. Linde has
been in the choice of words, there
would have been no raid neces-
sary. Moreover, vandalism or no
vandalism, precedent or no pre-
cedent, not even an expert on the
usages of diplomacy could deny
that such a raid on premises ad-
joining the actual Embassy
building was not fully justified by
results. It is true that members
of the Diplomatic Corps have
various privileges, and that they
are personally inviolable even
after war has been declared. Take
away the purely personal equation
from the circumstances surround-
ing the raid on the Legation com-
pound in Peking; suppose, for the
sake of argument, that the affair
took place in the Chinese Lega-
tion compound in Moscow; and it
can be left to the imagination
what the attitude of the Soviet
Government would be in the event
of the discovery of arms, ammu-
nition, and literature designed to
undermine the Soviet Govern-
ment. The case is unanswerable.
The cloak of diplomacy has been
used by the Soviet Government in
a manner fully intended to make
havoc amongst the Chinese people
and to disseminate the "prin-
ciples" of Bolshevism amongst
them during a civil war in which
no outside nation has the slight-
est right to intervene or interfere.
The coup in Peking, therefore, is
nothing if not timely. Surely no
other evidence is required to
bring home to the thinking Chi-
nese the depths to which Moscow
can sink in an effort to disrupt
the country still further and to
impose Bolshevism on a
nation that neither requires
nor wants it. The offence, as
Chang Tso-lin states, is unpardon-
able—and well does the Soviet
Government know it!

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

Latest Vaccination Figures.

The total number of Chinese
vaccinated by the members of St.
John Ambulance Brigade up to last
night was 69,055.

While playing on the hillside at
Wanchai yesterday, a Chinese
boy had a nasty fall and injured
his head so badly that he had to
be taken to the hospital.

M.P. RESIGNS.

DR. GUEST AND CHINA
POLICY.

FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES.

London, March 8.
It was announced last night that,
owing to a "fundamental difference
of opinion" with regard to the
party's Chinese policy, Dr. Haden
Guest, M.P., has resigned from the
Labour party. This resignation
was handed to the Right Hon. J.
Ramsay MacDonald yesterday morn-
ing.

The first indication that Dr.
Haden Guest was not a supporter
of the Labour-Socialists in regard
to China was given in the
debate on the Address, during
which he intervened to make his
position clear. Dr. Guest has re-
presented Southwark North since
1923.

In explanation of his decision he
made the following statement yester-
day to a Press representative:
"The immediate reason is a com-
plete and fundamental difference of
opinion with regard to the Labour
party's amendment to the Address
on China. I have discussed the
matter in detail with my own local
executives, and we could not come
to any compromise. In fact, no
compromise is possible on such a
question, and the only course open
to me was resignation."

"Will you join the Conservative
party?" he was asked.
"Oh, no," he replied; "I cannot
say anything with regard to my
future. At present I have merely
decided to leave the Labour party
because I found that I could not
agree with them on this question of
vital and fundamental importance.
We simply cannot leave our people
in Shanghai without any protection.
My speech in the House of Commons
made my position quite clear."

Asked if he would resign his seat,
Dr. Haden Guest would not commit
himself. "My seat is all right," he
replied. "Nobody would suggest
that it is not a safe Labour seat."

AN OUTSPOKEN SPEECH.

Attack on Labour Amendment.

It will be recalled that Dr. Haden
Guest made a very candid interven-
tion in the debate on the official
Labour amendment to the Address.
This amendment, proposed by the
Right Hon. C. P. Trevelyan, de-
plored the despatch of armed forces
to China as calculated to increase
the risks to British subjects there,
and called for the "immediate divi-
sion and recall of the forces."

Dr. Haden Guest, in his speech,
reported in "The Daily Telegraph"
on Feb. 11, announced that he could
not support the amendment. "It
seems to me," he said, "that for an
Opposition to ask the Government
of the day to recall troops when
their advisers tell them that troops
are required is not a responsibility
which any Opposition should take
upon itself. (Ministerial cheers.)"

The advisers are men of the highest
quality and character, and, in addi-
tion, we have been assured by the
Foreign Secretary that all the lead-
ing authorities in Shanghai de-
mand, as men upon the spot, that it
is necessary to have troops for the
defence of our nationals. In these
circumstances I do not see how any
responsible man can vote against
the policy of the Government.
(Ministerial cheers.) Further,
the amendment, which is in the
name of the Labour party, is not the
considered policy of the party.
(Ministerial laughter.) The ques-
tion of the recall of troops is ex-
pressly excluded from the lines of
policy which were laid down by a
joint meeting of the trade unions,
the National Labour party, and the
executive of the Parliamentary Labour
party. It is also expressly excluded
by the speeches of Mr. J. R. Thomas
and the Leader of the Opposition.
A demand for the removal of troops
after a satisfactory agreement has
been arrived at with the Canton
Government seems to me to be a
policy we could follow, but that is
not the amendment."

Amid Ministerial cheers, Dr.
Haden Guest declared that this was
not a matter which could be played
with from a party political point of
view. They could not lightly play
with the lives of British men and
women. The policy laid down in
the amendment was not the policy
of the Labour party, but of a small
group, and he trusted some means
would be found to avoid a division
in order that all appearance abroad
of conflict here should be avoided.
He appealed to the Labour party to
come back from the dangerous ex-
cursion which they were taking, not
on a road to peace and security, but
on a road which might lead them in
a very different direction, unless
they came back from it at a very
early date.

WAR SERVICES.

Secretary to Mr. Wheatley.

Dr. L. Haden Guest, M.C., who
will be 50 next month, became a
physician in 1900, and acted as a
civil surgeon in the South African
War. In the European War he
served in France from 1914 to 1917
and in Egypt and Palestine in 1918.
He organised the Military Hospital
at Nicosia, Limnora, and elsewhere.
He is the author of "The Nation of
the Future," "The New Education,"
"The Struggle for Power in Europe,"
1917-21, and co-editor of "The
Outline of the World of To-day."
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over the next candidate (Liberal)
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MINERS & PREMIER.

DETAILS OF THE COLLIERY
SCENE.

LABOUR M.P.'S REGRET.

London, March 8.
A surprising demonstration was
made against the Prime Minister by
a section of miners when he visited
the Ebbw Vale office of the colliery
involved in the Cwm mining
disaster shortly after noon yester-
day.

Mr. Baldwin, accompanied by
Mrs. Baldwin, arrived in a car at
Ebbw Vale Colliery from Cardiff,
and was received by Sir Frederick
Mills (chairman of the directors),
Sir John Benyon (vice-chairman of
directors), and other officials of the
company. There was no demon-
stration by the little knot of miners
outside the offices when Mr.
Baldwin entered. Mr. and Mrs.
Baldwin spent about twenty minutes
in the offices, and were given full
particulars of the disaster and of
the rescue operations. They ex-
pressed their heartfelt sorrow for
the bereaved, and their admiration
for the courageous manner in which
the rescue parties had worked. A
large number of miners had gath-
ered round the colliery offices, and
when Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin came
out in order to get into their car
the Prime Minister was subjected to
some booing, and there were angry
cries from a section of the miners.
There were shouts of "Why don't
you go down the mine yourself?"
and "What about the men lying in
the Black Vein?" and also angry ex-
clamations in Welsh. Other
miners shouted what appeared to be
references to "the ballot."

The Prime Minister was obviously
very much taken aback at the first
sign of any demonstration against
him. For a minute or two he and
Mrs. Baldwin faced the demonstra-
tors alone, while their car was be-
ing fetched. Mrs. Baldwin was
considerably agitated, and seemed
to be almost on the verge of tears.
She took the Prime Minister's arm,
and when they entered their car
she sank back with an expression
of pain on her face. Mr. Baldwin,
though pale and agitated, continued
to smoke his pipe. As the car drove
away, renewed shouting broke out.

Sir Frederick Mills said to a Press
representative, "I expressed my
great regret to the Prime Minister
for the incident, and told him how
sorry I was that his kindly visit
should have been so ill received.
Mr. Baldwin replied that he quite
understood that the incident was
due to only a few irresponsible
young men."

Mr. Evan Davies, Labour M.P.,
told a Press representative that it
was with profound regret that he
had heard of the unfortunate in-
cident. He added:

"I and the official Labour leaders
wish to be dissociated from the
demonstration which took place.
Had I known it had taken place I
would have considered it my duty
personally to have expressed to Mr.
Baldwin my sincere regret for such
an unfortunate occurrence. You
can rest assured that the demon-
stration was not carried out by re-
sponsible miners of this district, but
rather by a band of irresponsibles,
and I take this opportunity of ex-
pressing on my own behalf, and on
behalf of my friends, the miners'
agents and leaders, and on behalf
of the loyal and responsible sec-
tions of miners of this district, our
sincere regret at the event."

Visits to the Bereaved.

While the Premier and Mrs.
Baldwin were at the offices of the
colliery, Captain Carey, by means of
plans, explained what had occurred.
Mr. Baldwin asked several ques-
tions, and also asked to speak to the
miners' representatives. Sir Fre-
derick Mills introduced Mr. Jack
Griffiths, the Ebbw Vale miners'
agent, Mr. Arthur Jenkins of
Pontypool, Mr. C. L. Davies, Mr.
Wosnam, and Alderman John
Dowell. The Premier told Mr.
Griffiths that he was exceedingly
sorry to hear of the disaster that
had befallen the district, and asked
him to convey to the bereaved
families his sincere sympathy and
regret. If there was anything he
could do to assist he was prepared
to do it. Mrs. Baldwin also ex-
pressed her regret at the disaster, and
Mr. Griffiths undertook to see that
their sympathy was conveyed to the
people concerned.

The Premier and Mrs. Baldwin
afterwards drove to a street of
miners' houses in Cwm, and visited
Mr. and Mrs. Button, the parents of
two young men who perished in the
explosion. Placing his hands on
the father's shoulders, Mr. Baldwin
said with emotion: "I have come to
see you as man to man, not as
Prime Minister. I am sorry for you
in your great loss, and I felt I must
come and show my sympathy."

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PRINCE GEORGE.

REMARKABLE OVATION IN
PARIS.

CURIOUS MISUNDERSTANDING.

Paris, Feb. 28.
Prince George arrived at the
Gare du Nord to-night, and he was
confronted by the greatest crowd
that ever greeted a Royal visitor to
Paris. The Prince had to face a
barrage of photographers, and the
crowd thronged the entire station
and streets. Barriers had to be
hurriedly erected to prevent the
crowd from mobbing him.

All this was the result of a
curious misunderstanding of a cross
Channel telephone message, which
was taken to mean that King George
was coming, and the news
was published in the newspapers.
The misunderstanding coincides
with another statement that was
widely published on the Continent
to the effect that their Majesties
would visit the South of Spain in
the spring. This led to an official
denial from Buckingham Palace
to-night. It is believed that the
latter report was the work of a
hoaxer.

HOSPITAL COMFORTS.

HOW THE PUBLIC CAN
HELP.

LOCAL COMMITTEE FORMED.

An appeal for funds is made
locally for the Red Cross Hospital
Comforts, i.e. articles not supplied
by the Army or Navy but which are
essential for the comfort of pa-
tients.

During the Great War it may be
recalled, the Order of St. John and
the Red Cross Society joined forces
in this respect and, in addition to
the actual hospital and ambulance
services, supplied quantities of
comforts to the Hospitals.

It is for assistance such as this
that an appeal is being made to the
public of Hong Kong. It is in-
tended to involve the aid of the two
Societies mentioned, and pending a
communication from these joint
Societies, it is not proposed to issue
the appeal locally.

Notwithstanding, in order to help
with local requirements, a Com-
mittee has been formed, the Hon.
Treasurer of which will be glad to
receive subscriptions. Cheques
(crossed) should be made out to
the Hon. Treasurer "Hong Kong
Red Cross Hospital Comforts Fund"
and sent to Mr. Ho Kwong, at
Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co., 7
Queen's Road Central or to any
member of the Committee.

At the same time gifts of any
other articles will be collected from
donors' addresses, if the Hon.
Secretary is notified.

The Committee is as follows:—
President, H. E. The Governor
(Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., Kt.
of Grace, Order of St. John).
Members—Mr. E. Ralphs (As-
sistant Commissioner, St. John's
Ambulance Brigade), (Chairman);
Surg. Capt. H. J. Cater, R.N.
(Royal Naval Hospital); Mr. Ho
Kom-tong (Kt. of Grace, Order of
St. John and St. John's Ambulance
Brigade); the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kot-
wall, C.M.G.; Lieut. Col. Boylan
Smith, D.S.O., O.B.E., R.A.M.C.;
Sir Eric Stuart Taylor, M.D.,
O.B.E.; Mr. Ho Kwong (Hon. Treas-
urer) and Mr. A. Morris (District
Superintendent, St. John's Ambu-
lance Brigade), Hon. Secretary.

ILLNESS OF STALIN.

Berlin.—Latest reports state that
the condition of M. Stalin, secretary
of the Russian Communist party, is
hopeless. The German specialists
who went to Moscow to examine the
dictator have pronounced that he is
suffering from cancer of the stom-
ach, and it is now too late to
operate. Death cannot long be
delayed.

Since the death of Lenin no man
in the Union of Soviet Republics,
not even Trotsky, has exercised
such power as Josef Stalin, the son
of a Georgian peasant shoemaker.
He has been a revolutionary since
he left a theological seminary at the
age of 19. From that day until the
revolution of 1917 he was an active
worker for the revolutionary cause,
suffering persecution, exile, and
imprisonment during a large part
of his twenty years of agitation.
After the overthrow of Kerensky
Stalin collaborated closely with
Lenin, and held many posts. His
real name is Josef Dzhughashvili.

To the mother Mrs. Baldwin said:
"I come at a mother to express my
sympathy to a bereaved mother."

There were tears in the eyes of
the bereaved parents, and they
afterwards expressed how much
they appreciated the friendly words.
Mrs. Baldwin went a few yards fur-
ther up the street and visited the
house of Mrs. Griffiths, who had lost
her husband, had expressed her con-
dolences. Speaking of her visit
afterwards, Mrs. Griffiths said that
Mrs. Baldwin was so homely and
sincere in her sympathy that she
felt the visit was more like that of
an old friend and neighbour than
of the wife of the Prime Minister.
The Premier later saw Mr. Han-
ley, the managing director of Ebbw
Vale, and while expressing sym-
pathy, congratulated him on his
picky efforts in the colliery agent,
saw Mr. John, the colliery agent,
who was badly gassed while carrying
on rescue work.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 1927.

BRITONS IN CHINA.

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Exodus From Shanghai.

The exodus of Chinese from Shanghai continues, some 70,000 persons having left during the week ending April 3, according to figures prepared.

The Chinese civil and naval authorities at Amoy are working hard to prevent the more extreme elements from doing anything which would precipitate a crisis and the situation is quiet.

Ningpo Fears.

There remain at Wuchow now, five British members of the Customs staff and a British sister who wishes to remain with a French sister. All the other British have been evacuated.

Although the situation at Ningpo is outwardly quiet, trouble is expected.

AMERICA'S PRECAUTIONS.

More Marines Sail For Shanghai.

San Diego, April 7. The Navy transport "Henderson" with 1,500 officers and men of the Sixth Regiment of Marines on board has sailed for Shanghai. —Reuter's American Service.

TIENTSIN ANXIETY.

Japanese Commander Wants Reinforcements.

Tokyo, April 7. The Commander of the Japanese garrison at Tientsin having requested reinforcements, the Cabinet is meeting to-morrow to discuss the question. —Reuter.

EXECUTED.

The General Who Lost Shanghai.

Shanghai, April 8. The report that General Pi Shou-chen, Defence Commissioner of Shanghai before the city was captured by the Southerners, has been executed has been confirmed. It appears that though Marshal Chang Tsung-chang was willing to condone General Pi Shou-chen's loss of Shanghai (in connection with which Pi Shou-chen was accused of treachery), the Tungan Chihli, Chu Yu-pu, insisted on the capital punishment and it is possible Marshal Chang Tsung-chang connived thereto. —Reuter.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Press Comment on China Debate.

London, April 7. Not only a packed house followed the China debate in the House of Commons yesterday but it was also profoundly interested in the gathering in the Peer's gallery and the Diplomatic gallery, where the United States, French and Turkish Ambassadors were seated.

Sir Austen Chamberlain's speech receives good Press notice this morning, but the papers urge the necessity of common British, American and Japanese policy in China.

The "Daily Telegraph" quoting Sir Austen Chamberlain as saying the Government would pursue when possible their policy of conciliation and adjustment of the old position to new aspirations and conditions, but were not prepared to be hustled out of China and withdraw their nationals from Shanghai as well as from the up-country places and were not prepared to be treated as though they had no right to that which was theirs by treaty right, and as though the lives of the British were of no account to the British Government, says: "In this spirit the country expects the Government to face responsibilities in China."

The "Morning Post" says Sir Austen Chamberlain moved the House to horror and pity by his narration of what the little British communities at Nanking had suffered. —Reuter.

JAPAN'S INTERESTS.

Joint Policy Difficult.

London, April 7. Mr. H. W. Looker, M.P., in a letter to the "Morning Post" on the trouble in China says that the menace to the interests of Japan is greater than that to those of any other country, and no one should be more capable of realising the possibilities of the situation than Japan, who at present seems unwilling to recognise it, thus making difficult the pursuit of a joint policy in China. —Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST.

N.E. winds, fresh, overcast, the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow. Pressure is relatively low over the China Sea.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China.

COMPANY MEETING.

HONG KONG & TERRITORIAL ESTATES, LTD.

REVIEW OF 1926 FIGURES.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Territorial Estates, Ltd. was held this afternoon in St. George's Building, Mr. R. G. Sheehan presiding.

The convening notice and auditors' report were read by the Secretary. The report and accounts for 1926 were taken as read.

Loss on Working.

In his review, the chairman said:—As you know the unusual depression in the trade of the Colony to which I referred about this time last year continued without improvement during the whole year, and the loss on working for the twelve months is much about the same, namely \$217,312, as against \$199,326.48, the difference being roughly accounted for by depreciation on buildings which was not allowed for in the previous year's accounts.

This brings the total loss to Dec. 31, 1926, to \$602,392.19.

Slow Improvement.

I said last year there was a slightly better enquiry for Chinese flats at the close and this improvement small and slow as it was continued so that on Dec. 31 the number of vacant flats had fallen to 68, and to-day is only 9, but the present rents, of course, give a poor return on the money invested.

"St. George's" Building has done well and gives a good return, but the Yaumati property has been disastrous.

There was practically no demand for storage on this lot throughout the whole year.

There is a faint enquiry now, but storage on this Yaumati site will never pay us. It can only be made remunerative by building and developing, and for this we must have further capital.

Our Profit and Loss Account is set forth in such detail that it is practically a Working Account, and there is no item that requires special comment.

Shares Forfeited.

With regard to the Balance Sheet, you will observe that 22,550 shares have been forfeited, reducing the issued capital to \$774,500, and that calls in arrears amount to \$128,500, reducing the capital still further to \$646,000. On the other hand fresh capital amounting to \$700,000, as per resolutions passed on Jan. 21 and Dec. 15, 1926, was issued, raising the whole issued capital to \$1,346,000.

The 22,550 forfeited shares yielded \$39,476.98 which has been credited to Forfeited Shares Account.

Sundry Creditors which stood at \$614,804.31 on Dec. 31, 1925, have been reduced to \$6,478.39, and loans on mortgages increased to \$3,554,000 by the creation of a mortgage on the Kennedy Town property to \$676,500. Of the \$676,500, \$600,000 was repaid on Dec. 31, 1925, reducing the loan to \$616,500 as shown in the Balance Sheet.

"St. George's" Building.

In addition to ordinary repairs and renewals, \$35,985.57 were expended on "St. George's" Building in structural alterations to the ground floor and on lavatory installations throughout the whole building.

This expenditure was necessary and has considerably improved the value of the property.

The amount of \$50,040.48 is the final payment for the construction of the 37 houses at Kennedy Town.

I now propose that the report and accounts to Dec. 31, 1926, as presented be adopted and passed, and that the balance at debit of Profit and Loss Account of \$802,392.19 be carried to new account.

When this has been seconded I shall be ready to answer any questions by shareholders.

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FALSE PRETENCES.

FISH OIL AND A FISHY STORY.

MAN WALKS INTO TRAP.

A Chinese was yesterday afternoon charged before Major Willson with having attempted to obtain goods by false pretences and with having uttered a false document.

According to Inspector Lane accused went to the Sze Cheung shop at 48, Lower Lascar Road on April 4, and ordered 12 tins of fish oil, producing what purported to be a requisition order from the Fun Yu shop of 156, Queen's Road West. Next day the Sze Cheung shop received a telephone message purporting to come from the Fun Yu firm requesting that the oil be delivered to a boat-lying off the Praya Wall opposite the Empress Hotel and payment would be made on presentation of the bill afterwards. The complainant firm had to get their oil from a godown across the harbour and while the cargo was being brought, to the Hong Kong side a foki of the shop went to the Fun Yu firm to receive money in advance. Here he was informed that no oil had been ordered and that the requisition was a forgery. Together with the storekeeper of this shop the Sze Cheung foki hurried to the Praya and there found accused standing near the tins of oil which had just been landed. Asked what shop he represented accused replied "Fun Yu of 156, Possession Street." Taxed on the point that the address he had given was not correct, and confronted by the Fun Yu foki who had up to this time kept in the background, accused bolted, but was caught after a short chase.

After corroborative evidence had been given by the foki of both the Sze Cheung and Fun Yu shops, accused made a statement from the dock. He said he arrived from Macao on April 3 and met a man named Wong Liu for whom he had previously worked. Having ascertained that he (accused) had no employment, Wong asked him to go the next day and help him take delivery of some fish oil. Accused agreed in the hope that Wong would ultimately give him employment. Wong was on the Praya with accused when the last two witnesses accosted him, and when he realised that the game was up Wong ran away. He (accused) ran after Wong to try to catch him. "Wong ran faster than me and I can't find him now. I leave it to the 'Tai Yen' to decide this case on its merits," accused concluded.

His Worship passed sentence of two months' hard labour on each charge.

ILLEGAL GUILD?

WORKMEN'S RIGHT TO DOWN TOOLS.

LOCAL MASONS' APPEAL.

Application for leave to appeal was granted yesterday in respect of the Kwong Yee Tang (Masons' Guild of Hong Kong) which Mr. Justice Wood found to be illegal owing to the inclusion in its rules of a provision that, in the event of a dispute between an owner and a contractor, men of the Guild were prohibited from continuing the work on the site.

The ground on which Mr. Justice Wood made his original decision was that the provision made no reference to the merits of the dispute or the intervention of arbitration and he therefore found that it was a provision in restraint of trade which made the Guild illegal.

Mr. Potter made the application for leave to appeal yesterday. He pointed out that His Lordship had found in his first decision that the main object for which the Guild was formed was a perfectly lawful one. Even assuming, which he did not admit, that the rule on which His Lordship had based his decision was an unlawful one, His Lordship, Mr. Potter claimed, could not find the Guild illegal because one of the rules was illegal.

Assuming again that the rule was illegal, counsel argued that it came within the provision of Halsbury's definition, being "separable from the other rules," and that it did not therefore vitiate the whole.

Dealing with the legality of the rule, Mr. Potter said it was most definitely laid down that there was nothing unlawful in inducing another man to refuse to work or strike. Did the rule, he asked, carry them any further than that? It was another matter, he said, if a man was compelled to refuse work or strike, or if he was penalised for so doing.

His Honour said it was obvious by an arguable point and leave to appeal would be granted.

H.K.V.D.C.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS FOR THE WEEK.

ANNUAL RIFLE MEETING.

Volunteer orders for the week (issued to-day) state:—

On Tuesday all recruits parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

Dress: Uniform optional, belt, rifle and bayonet.

Lecture.

On Friday, April 22, at Corps Headquarters, at 5.30 p.m., a lecture on Aerial Survey will be given by O.C. Military Survey Section, Royal Engineers.

All ranks are invited to be present.

Signal Class.

Signal Class will be held at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, under 2/Lt. M. G. Noll.

Engineer Co.

Rifle Meeting on Sunday at Stonecutters. Post entries.

Ranger Officer: Lieut. F. Syme Thomson.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 8 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10.

Dress: Uniform, i.e., tunics, shorts and puttees, helmets, rifle, bayonets, belts and pouches.

Arms may be drawn from Corps Headquarters to-morrow between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Mounted Infantry Co.

Thursday recruits (as detailed) parade at Stables for instruction in riding, 5.30 p.m.

Dress: plain clothes.

Armoured Car Co.

Machine Gunners parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, as strong as possible.

All N.C.O.'s will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday. Dress: Muff.

Wednesday, April 13: Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Special class of Machine Gun instruction under 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock for all members of the Mobile Column.

Armoured Car Company. A good attendance is specially requested.

Scottish Company.

Thursday, at 5.30 p.m.:—

No. 5 (Talkoo Platoon) parade at Talkoo for musketry.

No. 6 (Kowloon Platoon) parade at Kowloon Docks for musketry.

No. 7 (City Platoon) parade at Headquarters for musketry.

Musketry Test Nos. 2 and 5 will be carried out by all Platoons.

Platoon Commanders please note.

Forward Date: Quarry Bay Cup competition—Saturday, April 30.

Portuguese Co.

Portuguese Company parade at 5.30 p.m. on Friday of each week as ordered by 2/Lieut. C. Jarvis, M.C.

Recruits will continue to parade as heretofore at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday at Corps Headquarters.

To-day: Trained men parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Lewis Gun instruction.

Members are requested to turn up regularly on Company nights so that progressive training may be arranged.

Musketry Programme.

Portuguese Co. will fire Part I. Musketry on Sunday, May 22, instead of Reserve Co.

Part II Musketry on Sunday, Oct. 16, instead of Reserve Co. and on Sunday, Jan. 15, 1928, instead of Reserve Co.

Appointment.

[The appointment of Pte. George Duncan, M.B.E. as 2nd Lt., as per the "Gazette" is notified.]

Transfer.

Pte. W. F. Simmons is transferred from the Mounted Infantry Co. to the Reserve Co. under exceptional circumstances.

Strength.

The following recruits are posted as follows:—

No. 10 Platoon: Privates M. F. Baptista, C. A. Cunha, L. V. A. Antonio, E. G. Luz, F. G. Luz, C. P. Omand.

Engineers Co.: Spr. C. J. Waddell.

No. 4 Platoon: Pte. A. M. Bux.

No. 9 Platoon: Ptes. E. F. Nuttall, E. A. V. Remedios, H. A. Barros.

Artillery Co.: Gnr. J. L. King.

No. 2 Platoon: Pte. J. W. Beattie.

Leave.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—

L/Cpl. D. B. Peat, M.I. Co., from April 1 to March 31, 1928.

Pte. H. E. Orr, No. 1 Platoon, from April 15 to April 14, 1928.

Spr. E. H. Williams, Engineer Co., from April 2 to May 9, 1927.

Pte. J. K. Milward, Med. Sec., from April 6 to April 28, 1927.

Pte. E. Law, Med. Sec., from April 1 to April 21, 1927.

L/Sgt. G. H. Sellwood, Reserve Co., from April 9 to July 8, 1927.

RIFLE MEETING.

The annual Corps rifle meeting will be held at Stonecutters on April 17 and 18.

Launches will leave Murray Pier at 8 a.m., 8.30 a.m., 9.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m., and call at Kowloon Pier 10 minutes later.

Times of Firing.

These times are, of course, only approximate.

Sunday, April 17.

Corps Championship: 9.00 a.m.

Far Competition: 9.00 a.m.

Title Competition: 2.00 p.m.

Reserve Challenge Cup: 3.30 p.m.

Attack Competition: 4.00 p.m.

Monday, April 18.

Musketry Competition: 9.00 a.m.

Blake Competition: 11.00 a.m.

Francis Cup Competition: 2.00 p.m.

Lewis Gun Competition: 4.00 p.m.

The Revolver Competition (Corps and all Arms) will be held on both days from 9 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

Those wishing to have their names entered should apply to the Secretary.

WILBUR PLAYERS.

SEASON AT KOWLOON POSTPONED.

The Wilbur Players will not be opening their season at the "Star" Theatre, Kowloon, next week as originally announced.

This talented American company had come to China to fulfil an engagement at the Embassy Theatre, Shanghai. Their plans were changed owing to the imposition of the curfew and they were coming to Hong Kong instead.

Mr. Harry Bell, the advance agent, has now received word that "closing time" in Shanghai has been extended till 11 p.m. so that the Wilbur Players will be staying in Shanghai as at first intended.

However, they will visit Hong Kong some time in June in accordance with their original itinerary.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

April 8—Queen's Theatre: "The Coast of Folly."

April 8—World Theatre: "Hands Up!"

April 8—Star Theatre: "The Story Without a Name."

April 8—First performance of "Molly Kennedy" at the Naval Cadet Theatre.

April 8—Theatre Royal: H.M.S. "Pinafore," 9.30 p.m.

April 10—Concert by the Massed Bands of the 1st Bn. The Cameronians and 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt., Queen's Theatre, 8.20 p.m.

April 11—The Hong Kong Dance Club's grand opening Carnival Dance at Lane Crawford's, at 9 p.m.

Sports.

April 9—Falling Hunt Steeple-chase, 3.15 p.m.

April 16—Second Extra Race Meeting of Hong Kong Jockey Club, Race Course, Happy Valley.

April 20—Seventh bi-annual race for the "Trevelyan" Trophy, commencing 4 p.m.

Meetings.

April 9—Annual meeting of the Chinese Club, in Club premises, 3 p.m.

April 14—Twenty-seventh annual meeting of Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Club-house, 5.45 p.m.

April 21—Second Meeting of China Light & Power Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

April 23—Telephone Co.'s second annual meeting, at Exchange Bldg., 11 a.m.

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"When chief guest at a dinner given by the Government at the Mansion House in honour of the British Industries Fair, the Prince of Wales said: 'I had a letter from Argentina only the other day from a man whom I happened to meet. He went into an up-country store and heard a man ask for a tin of paint. 'He was shown a tin of English paint, but unfortunately, the directions for use on the wrapper were only written in English, and neither the storeman nor the purchaser could understand or translate the instructions how to use it. He was then shown a German tin, and this German tin had directions for use written in Spanish as well as in German. I only mention this simple case because it is illustrative of how easily trade can be lost in this tremendously competitive world that we live in if things are not made as easy as possible for the buyer.'"

Lady Clifford, the wife of the new Governor of the Straits Settlements, is better known to a very wide public as Mrs. Henry de la Pasture, whose charming books find a place on the shelves of every public library, and of many homes. Her best known novels are "Deborah of To-day," "Peter's Mother," "The Grey Knight," and "The Lonely Lady of Grosvenor Square." Lady Clifford has also had marked success in the theatre, where her dramatisation of "Peter's Mother" ran for a hundred and fifty nights in London, and received the honour of a Royal command for performance at Sandringham. Her elder daughter, by her first husband, is also a well-known novelist. Under the nom de plume of E. L. Delsfield—an obvious play on her maiden name of De la Pasture—Mrs. Delsfield, who spent two years of her married life in Singapore, has written several novels remarkable for their psychological insight. "The Messalina of the Suburbs" was a romance founded on a much discussed murder case, and only last year her latest book, "The Girl of the White Room," received a warm welcome from the reviewers. Lady Clifford, who is now in her sixties, is a well-known and popular author, and has written a number of books for the young.

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SPORTS SECTION

SOCCER NOTES.

Lai Wah Cup Begins To-morrow.

EASTER HOLIDAY MATCHES.

[By "W.P.C."]
During the next ten days, several important football matches will be played in the Colony.

The semi-final of the Lai Wah Cup is on the fixture list. This is really the first round as only four clubs compete for the handsome trophy.

A solution of part-solution of the runners-up problems in the League will have been arrived at. The championships of the three divisions have been decided as follows:

Division I: Club de Recreo. Div. II, Sect. "A": 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers' Reserves. Div. II, Sect. "B": St. Joseph's College Reserves. In the last-named, Moslem Club are runners-up. The right to the medals for the second club in the other two has still to be fought out.

To-morrow's Match. Chinese Athletic and Kowloon F.C. (last year's champions) are the only ones concerned in the runners-up race in Division I. Three clubs contest the honour in section "A," viz., Chinese Athletic "A," Royal Artillery Reserves and Kowloon F.C. Reserves.

Kowloon's 1st XI play to-morrow and should win, in spite of their hard game in the Shield final last Saturday. But if they lose or draw, Chinese Athletic get second place. Should Kowloon get the full two points, they will be level with the Athletic who still have a game in hand. Goal average does not count.

Section "A" Struggle. In section "A," the best-placed team (Athletic "A") are without an engagement.

The R.A. Reserves have an easy match, next Friday. If the Gunners win, they will tie with Athletic "A" who have their last game still to play.

Kowloon's Reserves have two games and should obtain the full four points. They need them to keep in the running—and they were runners-up last season. If they get 3 points, they still have a chance. Less will put "paid" to their account.

Cup Holders Chosen. This will be the third Lai Wah Cup season, the "Civilians" having won the first and second competitions. The holders play next Saturday, when they meet the Chinese. The Civilian team will be as follows:

Rodger (H.K.F.C.), Bishop (H.K.F.C.), Wynne (H.K.F.C.), McBride (H.K.F.C.) captain, Hudson (Police), C. F. Remedios (Club de Recreo).

Hayes (Kowloon), May (Kowloon), Howard (H.K.F.C.), Silva (Recreo), Brown (Recreo). Reserves: Brittain (Police), Oram (Police), Mui (Kowloon).

Winners to Play the Rest. Then on Easter Monday, the winners of two League divisions meet the "Rest."

In the senior division, I can see the Recreo being extended if not defeated by the combined forces of the other clubs—provided the latter turn out their best men.

Not so in section "A" (of division II). The Koshies' 2nd XI have not been defeated either in the League or in the Shield. And I expect to see them finish up without going under.

Current fixtures are announced as follows:

To-morrow. Lai Wah Cup. Royal Navy v. the Army, Sookumpoo "A" ground, 4.30 p.m., referee Mr. Baldwin, linesmen Mr. Mackie, Mr. Presley.

League I. Hong Kong F.C. v. Kowloon F.C., H.K.F.C. ground, 4.30 p.m., referee Mr. Dawes.

League II, Sect. "A." South China Reserves v. Kowloon F.C. Reserves, South China ground, 3 p.m., referee Mr. Lonsdale.

Club de Recreo Reserves v. St. Joseph's College, King's Park, 3 p.m., referee Captain A. W. Austin, M.C., M.M., R.A.

Tuesday (April 12). League II, Sect. "A." Kowloon F.C. Reserves v. Hong Kong F.C. Reserves, Kowloon ground, 5 p.m., referee Mr. Samy.

Friday (April 15). League I. Hong Kong F.C. v. South China Res., 4.30 p.m., referee Mr. Gilbert.

BOWLING GREEN.

PROGRESS OF CLUB'S BUILDING.

THE YEAR'S REPORT.

At the annual meeting of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, to be held on Thursday next, the annual report for the year will be presented.

Due to the loyalty of Club members, the watchful and untiring efforts of the Bar Sub-Committee and to profits on the sales of War Loan Stocks, the profit on the year's working is \$6,575.11.

Membership is 235, with 5 Life Members.

The completion of the Club's fine and comfortable pavilion is referred to and with the completion of the laying out of the ground occupied by the Old Club House, now in operation, the general appearance of the Club and grounds will be greatly improved.

The Committee hope that keen interest will be taken in the coming bowls season by the younger players in order that the Club may regain a premier position in the League.

The early arrival of the hot season prevented a continuation of American tennis tournaments which were organised but interrupted by member competitions were well supported. A Gent's Handicap Doubles tournament was introduced.

The Committee regrets to record the deaths of the following members: J. Clelland, A. W. Hoy and Capt. R. S. Connolly.

The state of the grounds, due to their constant use and the spell of dry weather are not all that could be desired. One bowling green and a tennis court are closed and under repair and the Committee hope to put the others into good playing order before the season is far advanced.

The plans for laying-out the new grounds are referred to in the report in detail and thanks are expressed to Mr. Geo. Duncan for the general idea of the scheme.

The thanks of the Club are expressed to donors of many handsome prizes for various competitions and to the contributors to the Prize fund.

PRINCE OF WALES THROWN.

London, March 22.

Competing in the race for his own cup at the Army point-to-point Steeplechase at Holdenby (near Northampton), the Prince of Wales fell at the first jump, but was not hurt.

The Prince, riding Clark Courtier, was leading with another rider, when his horse was tripped by a branch of the hedge and the Prince thrown 15 yards clear of the field.

He arose smiling, and tried to catch the horse to re-mount, but the animal got away.

League II, Sect. "A."

Royal Artillery Reserves v. Chinese Athletic "B," Sookumpoo "A" ground, 3 p.m., referee Mr. Cowan.

Hong Kong F.C. Reserves v. St. Joseph's College, H.K.F.C. ground, 3 p.m., referee Mr. Randall.

Saturday (April 16).

Lai Wah Cup. Civilians v. Chinese, H.K.F.C. ground, 4.30 p.m.

Monday (April 18).

Winners, League I v. the Rest, H.K.F.C. ground, 5 p.m., referee Captain Austin, linesmen Mr. Gilmour, Mr. Lamb.

Winners, League II, Sect. "A" v. the Rest, H.K.F.C. ground, 3 p.m., referee Mr. Cowan; linesmen Mr. Omar, Mr. Samy.

To-morrow, Chinese Athletic "B" are scratching their fixture with the H.K.F.C. Reserves. This match has not been included in the appended league tables.

Division I.

Club de Recreo, 18 9 2 2 35 17 20
Chinese Athletic, 13 6 4 3 20 23 10
Police, 14 6 3 5 11 14 10
Kowloon, 13 6 2 2 23 14 10
R. Artillery, 14 6 2 2 20 19 14
R.O.S.B., 14 6 2 2 20 19 14
Lonsdale, 14 6 2 2 20 19 14
Club de Recreo Reserves, 12 6 1 1 14 17 11
St. Joseph's College, King's Park, 12 6 1 1 14 17 11
Austin, M.C., M.M., R.A.

Goals.

P.W.D. L. F. A. P. U.
K.O.S.B. Res., 16 15 1 0 53 12 81
Chl. Athletic "A", 17 10 2 4 33 21 24
R.A. Reserves, 17 10 2 4 33 21 24
Kowloon Res., 15 8 3 4 29 15 15
St. Joseph's Col., 18 7 2 7 31 19 19
Recreo Res., 16 7 3 3 29 30 15
H.K.F.C. Res., 14 6 2 2 20 19 14
University, 15 8 2 0 19 15 15
S. China Res., 14 6 1 1 14 17 11
Chl. Athletic "B", 16 6 1 1 14 17 11

RACE ENTRIES.

2-DAY MEETING AT EASTER.

"THREE CLASS" HANDICAP.

Entries have closed for the Hong Kong Jockey Club 2nd extra race meeting of the season to be held during the Easter holidays (April 16 and 18).

The feature of the meeting will be the re-introduction of a handicap of three classes, an innovation that was tried at the 1st extra meeting last year.

Weights allotted by the official handicapper are expected to-morrow. The entries follow:

First Day.
Races 1 and 2—Boa Vista Handicap (A & B. class) 8 furlongs.
Mrs. Priestley's Esprit, Grande del Norte, Mr. Eve's Battle Eve, Misty Eve, Bright Eye, Mr. Yam Man's Valour, Dick Lo (late Wong Ho), Dr. Macgowan's Sunburst Rose, Mr. G. W. Sewell's Circe, Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Kom Tong Hall, Gilder Hall, Mr. D. U. N. Down's Spectre (late The Ghost), Mr. R. J. Paterson's September, Mr. Lucretia's Macao Beauty (late Bright Day II), Mr. K. H. Loong's Laceda II, and Baccarat; Messrs. Dyer and Beth's Loch Rannoch, Grey Morn; Mr. J. B. A. Hankey's Saracen; Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gobbler, The Gomeri, The Gezer, The Grig; Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 3—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 4—Second Aggregate Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Misty Eve; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 5—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 6—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 7—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 8—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 9—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 10—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

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Race 12—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

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Race 14—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 15—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 16—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 17—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 18—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 19—April Stakes: one mile.
Mr. Eve's Festive Eye; Messrs. Tester and Abraham's Bing Boy; Mr. Johnathan's Plum Pudding (late The George and Vulture); Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Leaf; Mrs. R. M. Austin's Fire Call; Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer; Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter; Mr. Topside's Ukelele; Mr. C. B. Brown's Mountain Fox; Mr. C. B. Brown's Furzehead.

Race 20—April Stakes: one mile.
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Race 21—April Stakes: one mile.
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Race 22—April Stakes: one mile.
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Race 24—April Stakes: one mile.
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Race 30—April Stakes: one mile.
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HOME FOOTBALL.

CUP FINALISTS DEFEATED AGAIN.

CARDIFF AT LEICESTER.

On Wednesday, the Arsenal were beaten in the League. Yesterday, the other finalists in the Cup (Cardiff City) met with a similar fate when playing away, losing to Leicester City.

London, April 7.
To-day's matches in the English Football League (home team given first) resulted:

Division I—Leicester 3, Cardiff 1.
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THE 1926 TESTS.

AUSTRALIAN TOUR IN ENGLAND.

"WISDEN'S" SUMMING UP.

London, March 2.
The post-mortem positions in the photographs of the year's five best cricketers in "Wisden's Cricketers' Almanack" are occupied by W. M. Woodfull and W. A. Oldfield.

Woodfull is thus described:—"At first sight he gave the impression of being clumsy, but of his ability there can be no two opinions. His action seems a little laboured for the reason that he does not lift his bat any noticeable distance, but he is blessed with strong forearms and can drive



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MUSIC IN BRITAIN. University Traditions.

Dr. Whitaker, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, one of the greatest musical authorities in the United Kingdom, writes:—

The question of the headship of music in the great Universities of Oxford and Cambridge may not seem, to the outsider, of vital importance in the world of art, but it is really a question of the utmost gravity. These two centres of learning assemble between them ten thousand students every year. The direction in which music moves is one which profoundly influences women during their college life and afterwards.

We in the old country have not yet learned to consider a school of practical music with instrumental and vocal tuition as a necessary part of a university. Traditions, die hard in scholastic no less than in political circles, and we have yet a long journey to travel before every university is equipped with a conservatory as is found in Australia. But, nevertheless, music is playing an increasingly important part in the lives of these communities. Within the last three or four decades the increase of artistic activity has been very great indeed. It is less than a hundred years since a severe don with crushing sarcasm informed an undergrad that "concert giving was no occupation for a gentleman." Now a goodly proportion of these young men and women coming from the chief centres of learning are passionately devoted to the best things in art. This interest is confined to no one class of students. For instance, a chemistry research student in one of these universities told me that all the forty men doing similar work to his own during his studentship were interested in music and performed on one instrument or another.

The Right Type.

The professor of the university, though he may not come into actual contact with the majority of the students, can exercise a very important influence on activities throughout the various colleges and in the city at large. It is of the greatest importance, therefore, to have a man of the right type. Cambridge has passed through rapid changes in the last few years. At one time the professor was Sir Charles Stanford, well known as one of our brilliant musicians, a composer at times rising to great heights, with an immense knowledge of music, and well-read in other directions. Almost every man of note of recent years passed under his keen, critical eye and his searching penetration. On his death Dr. Charles Wood was appointed. Wood was not known to the outside world as was Stanford, but in some ways he was no less notable. If Stanford guided the creative activities of our men at the Royal College of Music, Wood laid the foundation by giving them the soundest course of technical training in writing that any group of composers ever had. He was a remarkable technician in the art of composition, and had the happy knack of developing at the same time a pupil's command of resources and his individuality. He wrote largely, although in the direction of original work he achieved less than his talents might have led one to expect. He is best known by his splendid song "Ethiopia Saluting the Colours." Perhaps his most representative work was "A Dirge for Two Veterans."

A Wise Choice.

His tenure of the office was brief. He died last summer, and his successor has recently been appointed. Both of the last two occupants of the chair have held their positions chiefly by virtue of their abilities as writers of music. The new occupant, Mr. Edward T. Dent, is chiefly known as an historian, scholar and critic. He is one of the few men in Britain who have been able to devote themselves to scholarship pure and simple, and his fine intellect, penetrating insight, his patience in laborious research, the sanity of his judgment, and his fine literary style, have made him a man of mark, not only at home, but abroad. In Germany he is very well known. He has recently produced in German theatres Purcell's "Dido and Aeneas," a work which he has edited for the Oxford University Press. Italian musicians count him as one of themselves.

That Cambridge has made a wise choice is certain. Mr. Dent's influence will be widely felt and will be all for good.

WIRELESS AND MUSIC. Angels Listening In?

"What is happening in the intervening ether? Perhaps the angels are picking us up. It is a quickening thought. It will make a vast difference to the music which we create now and onwards," said Sir Walford Davies, in his presidential address at the opening of the conference of the Incorporated Society of Musicians at Felixstowe. "Ether and Air" was the subject selected by Sir Walford. Remembering, he said, that our pictures and buildings in tone vanished into a memory the moment the last stone had been put into place, let them consider the arrival of wireless, let them try to estimate how much music-making of first-rate order ought to be set up in a country of 40,000,000 inhabitants. They would see that in teaching music their great handicap had been that they never saw and never were able to let their pupils hear enough fine music finely set up. How often have they heard their favourite symphony in their whole life? Did they hear it at all in 1926 except on the gramophone? They could not hear great music greatly rendered often enough. The Three Choirs Festivals were blamed for including the "Messiah" in every programme.

"I should blame them rather," continued Sir Walford, "in not setting it up at least once a month, and with the inspired carelessness of a Sir Thomas Beecham. And here let me say that Sir Thomas Beecham's tirade against wireless, if correctly reported, was as foolish as it was useless. He is a great artist and an amusing fellow and friend, but he sounds the other day like an annoyed Canute watching the tide surround him, and saying: 'It is getting wet and messy here; I am off to rediscover America.' (Laughter.) My own impression is that Sir Thomas is one of the men who perhaps may live to dig the first channel of all for the first of good music to reach every corner of the country, to irrigate dry places to make the whole country musically minded, musically fruitful, and musically prolific. At any rate, it is clear that daily symphony, a daily perfect melody, perfectly modelled, is now for the first time possible. Wireless has come to stay and spread, and hourly to improve. It is clear that any opinion or action based upon the superficial and naturally unthinking first impression that ether and air for musical purposes are in opposition, is untimely and unserviceable. Wireless and ourselves, the ordinary music-makers, are destined to be allies, not opponents. But on both sides musicians must be carefully safeguarded. It would be a matter for great surprise if Salford Hill did not prove at quite an early date to be a veritable Ministry of Music, promoting both by its deliberate policy and far-reaching influence better and vastly more music-making of the right sort in every city town, and village in the land."

FILM MAGIC.

A Glimpse of a Modern Studio.

A tour of the new film studios built by British National Pictures, Ltd., at Elstree, Hertfordshire, where "Madame Pompadour," starring Miss Dorothy Gish, is now being produced, shows how complex an undertaking modern film production can be.

In the No. 1 studio Mr. Herbert Wilcox, the director, was taking a scene in which the discomfited Count Maurepas, Pompadour's bitter enemy, loses his wig and excites the laughter of a bevy of lovely ladies-in-waiting in powdered wigs and graceful hooped gowns.

Dotted about the great studio were various "sets" which will be used later—a tavern with its cellar steps, a bedroom with a bed canopied in tufts of rose and white ostrich plumes, a street scene, part only in miniature.

A great flight of steps stood by itself, with a workman painting part of it. On the screen the steps will form part of a gorgeous palace interior, with carved and gilded walls; but walls and gilding will be only illusion, and the steps and the actors alone real—a result of the use of the new German magic known as the Scheufftan process. That it really is marvellous can best be appreciated by those who have seen the film "Faust," in which not only scraps of the beautiful landscapes seen by Faust and Mephisto in their travels was "real."

SINGING ON THE MARCH. Banishing Fatigue.

"Organised singing on the march will be encouraged. It helps men to march well even when fatigued." This instruction, which is in the spirit of the much-discussed Community Singing appears in the new edition of "Infantry Training." I think (writes a correspondent of the "Morning Post") it is the first time official encouragement has been given to organised singing as an aid to marching.

What do the men sing? There is no more sentimental human being than the British soldier. Hence his choice of a marching song—and this is perhaps more noticeable among the County Regiments—is the old folk song or some purely sentimental ditty or parody. Folk songs have been used by the soldier as marching tunes from time immemorial, and in the course of time have become officially recognised.

"Here's to the Maiden" is the march of the King's (Liverpool Regiment). The men of the Lincolnshire Regiment swing along to the tune of "The Lincolnshire Poacher." The typically British song "John Peel" is the "quick step" of the Border Regiment. The men of the South Staffordshire Regiment have for many years braced themselves up to "Come Lassos and Lads" while "Men of Harlech" inspires the South Wales Borderers.

A Varied Repertoire. When our soldiers were marching to war singing "Tipperary" a well-meaning clergyman thought this music-hall effusion inadequate to the spirit that should animate a soldier on so serious a mission. He accordingly set himself to write a revised version (he did not reject the tune) which in his view was better calculated to raise the moral tone. Two of his lines were:

Good-bye, dear indulgence,
Farewell, the soft armchair.
Had this clergyman heard the story of the man lying in hospital badly wounded he would have better understood the psychology of the soldier. Asked by a visitor his taste in reading, he replied: Oh! anything so long as it is not the life of a General."

The patriotic soldier does not want to sing about his patriotism. His musical inclinations approach more nearly to the homely and sentimental kind. Nor does he respect anything couched in the so-called humorous vein. "Annie Laurie" and "Home, Sweet Home" are popular favourites. The "Old Contemptibles" sang lustily on the march:

Old Soldiers never die, never die,
never die.
Old Soldiers never die; they only fade away.

The younger generation of soldiers sing the latest comic song, but do not despise good songs. Their repertoire is delightfully varied. The words of a marching song matter little to them so long as they are associated with a swinging lilt. The following lines they still enjoy:

Send for the boys of the girl's brigade,
To set Old England free.
Send for my mother, and my sister, and my brother,
But for heaven's sake don't send me!

ART FLOOD TO THE U.S.

The export of art treasures to the United States has assumed enormous proportions.

According to a leading expert, approximately 3,000,000 specimens, of various kinds are sold annually to America. Since the armistice 21,000,000 works of art, valued at many millions, have been sent across the Atlantic.

These exports include pictures, sculpture, tapestry, furniture, glass, old lace, and metal work. The prices are higher than ever before. At the Miehlem sale last year as much as 209,500 guineas was paid by a dealer on behalf of his American clients for five pictures.

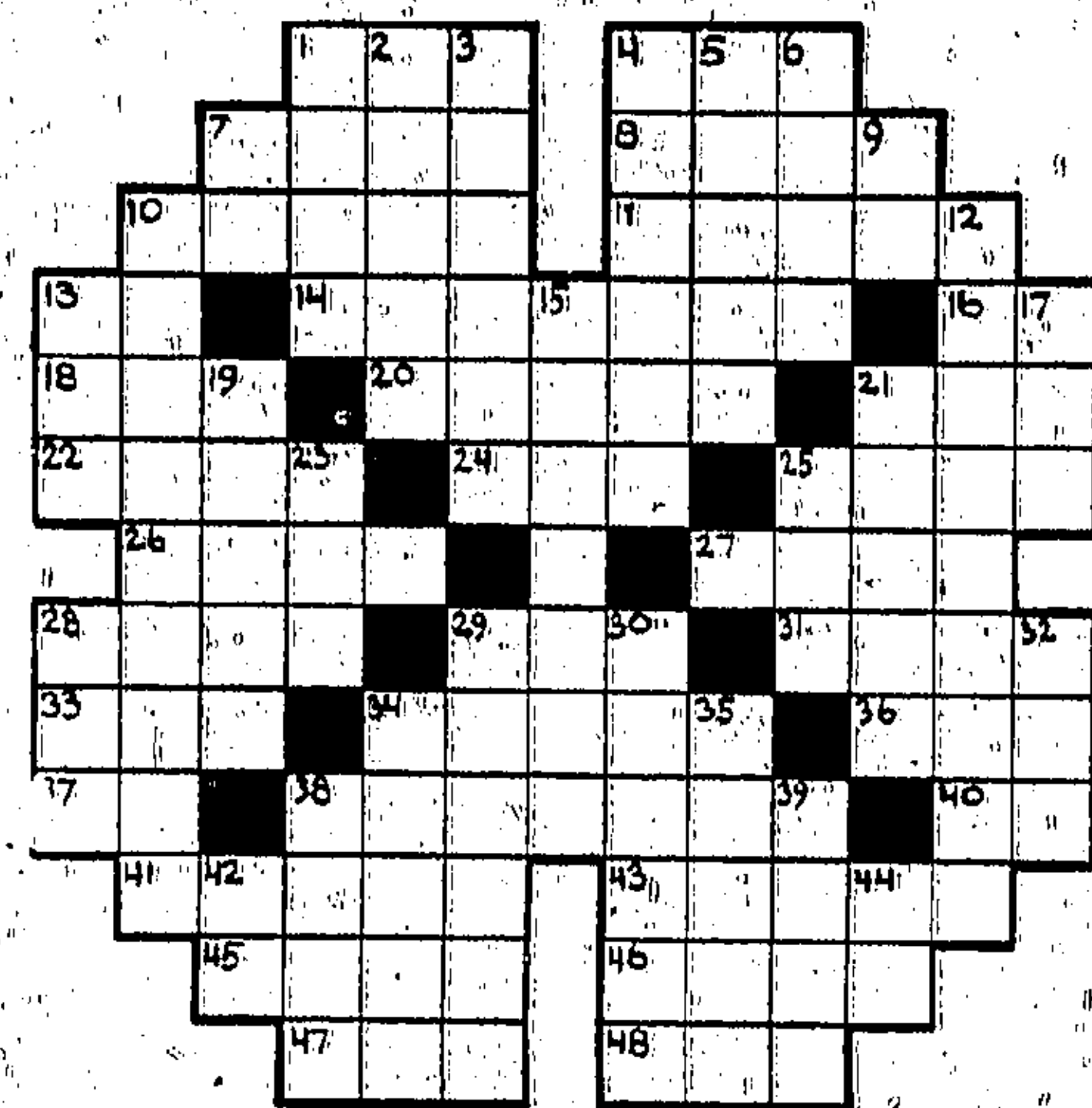
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| HORIZONTAL
1—Unopened flower
4—To make trips, as a ferry
7—Sensible
8—Perused
10—Ties
11—Moses' brother
12—Exist
14—To take away
16—Each (abbr.)
18—Everything
20—To waken
21—Confusion
22—A clock's face
24—To blind
25—Person of old-fashioned notions
26—Very black
27—Weaves
28—Declares
29—Kitchen utensil
31—Spider homes | HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
33—By means of
34—To woo
35—A point
37—Transposes (abbr.)
38—The act of twisting
40—Railway (abbr.)
41—A stem
42—Pedants
43—The blackthorn
44—Capital of Norway
47—To make a mistake
48—A female deer | VERTICAL (Cont.)
10—Adherents of a religious faith
12—Those who live near by
13—Evil
15—Disastrous
16—Some
17—Some
18—Toil
21—Gave medicine to
23—Not high
25—Not many
26—Hog
30—Three-legged support
32—Pigeon
34—Hue
35—Trunk of human body
38—Story
39—River in Africa
42—Till (abbr.)
44—Process |
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SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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Between 200 and 300 migratory geese in flight were seen over Caterham, Surrey.

Major-General A. Solly-Flood has been appointed Deputy Adjutant-General, Army Headquarters, India.

The picture "A Wagon at an Inn Door", by W. Shayer sent, realised £120 15s. at Messrs. Christie's.

A Ministry of Agriculture order prohibiting the use of uncooked offal as food for animals has been issued.

Matilda O'Brien, a teacher, who has died at Old Brompton, aged eighty-seven, had among her pupils six Victoria Cross winners.

The body of a woman found in the Thames, near Windsor, was identified as that of Miss Eileen Adey (47), who had been staying at Bray.

The deficit to date on Worthing's new pier pavilion, opened last Whitsun at a cost of over £40,000, amounts to £2,600, or a rate of over 2½d. in the £.

The Orient express from Constantinople arrived at Terriett, Switzerland, 17 hours late, having been delayed by snowstorms in Turkey and the Balkans.

A Chatham naval court-martial sentenced Patrick Connell, a stoker, to 18 months' hard labour and to be dismissed the service for striking a corporal.

The body of John William Henry Butler, aged three, who had been missing from his parents' home in Herbert Street, Portsmouth, has been washed up by the sea.

Herr Fritz Thyssen, the prominent German industrialist, has arrived in Rome to discuss, it is said, with Italian industrialists a modification of the European steel cartel.

It is expected that wireless telephonic communication between Spain and the Argentine will be established within six months as a result of negotiations now in progress.

The "Two Brewers" Inn, Forest Hill, S.E., a 400-year-old refreshment house, said to have been a favourite haunt of Dick Turpin, is to be replaced by an up-to-date building.

The governors of Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester, having decided to consider further the proposed changes in the hospital rules, the medical staff have withdrawn their resignations.

Believed to be London's oldest regular dancer, Mr. Chris Harvey, aged eighty-five, who is a local tradesman, attended a dance held by the R.S.P.C.A. at Edmonton Town Hall.

At a Leicester inquest on a man aged 72 killed by falling off a cart, it was stated that he started work at seven years' of age, had worked 65 years for one firm, and had never lost a day's work.

As a result of a telephone conversation between Harold Lloyd in New York and Sir Alfred Fripp in London, the famous film comedian has been made a "Tornado" of the Ancient Order of Froth Blowers.

Miss Sarah Kirby, of Clapham, S.W., who was 100, received congratulations from the King and was visited by Mr. J. H. Whitley, the Speaker, who was a boy at Clifton College, Bristol, when she was matron there.

The Department of Entomology, Natural History Museum, South Kensington, has acquired 22,000 specimens of insects from an expedition made by Mr. F. W. Edwards, a member of the staff, to North-west Patagonia.

When Leon Josephson, 28, a film agent, said to be a Roumanian subject, was sentenced at Brighton to four months' hard labour for offences under the aliens order, the police said he had impersonated a British film agent and had travelled on the Continent and obtained business in his name.

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The King and Queen visited Princess Victoria at Coppins, Iwer, near Uxbridge.

The Prince of Wales attended the Welsh Guards Old Comrades' Association dinner, held in Harrod's restaurant.

The Prime Minister and Mrs. Baldwin attended the St. David's Day, Cymmhorion dinner at the Cardiff City Hall.

The American bootlegging play "Twelve Miles Out" has been replaced at the Strand Theatre, W.C., by "White Cargo."

Cowley House, Chertsey, Surrey, where the poet Cowley died in 1667, is being demolished to make room for shops and dwelling houses.

Roumanian newspapers state that an order will be placed in Great Britain for a number of gold coins bearing King Ferdinand's effigy.

Except during the holiday season, Whitenside till October, the charge on Scarborough tramway-cars is to be 1d. for any distance. Formerly it was 2d.

Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, is at present in Paris on his way to Berlin, and has seen the Governor of the Bank of France.

Major Franco, the Spanish airman who has already flown across the Atlantic, proposes to attempt a non-stop flight from Spain to New York next September.

It took 50 men to lift an omnibus at Hull to extricate Mr. John Dale, 25, who was thrown under it and injured in the foot through his motorcycle skidding.

Sentence of death was passed at Derby Assizes on William Knighton, 22, a miner of Ilkeston, for the murder of his mother, who was found in bed with her throat cut.

The new by-pass road skirting the village of Patcham, on the London-Brighton road, where so many accidents have occurred owing to the narrow street, was opened in mail week.

Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth and Co., of Walker-on-Tyne, have booked a contract for two big tankers, making 14 vessels they have to build in addition to completing the battleship "Nelson."

Following 14 other fires in the district recently, inquiries are being made by the police into the origin of a fire which destroyed a 100-ton hay stack on the farm of Mr. C. W. Fisher, New Eltham, Woolwich.

The recent success with the experiments in sending pictures by wireless is now followed up by the news from Vienna that a means has been invented of transmitting pictures, photographs, and letters by telephone.

The flight of a runaway horse attached to a milk van in Brighton was checked by a motor-car, with which it collided, and the animal was caught afterwards by a Metropolitan policeman who was holidaying at Brighton.

On arrival at his home town of Dalbeattie, Kirkcubrightshire, Mr. George Maxwell, the new mouth-organ champion, was met by the town band and carried shoulder-high to the town hall, where he was congratulated by the Provost and magistrates.

Rock paintings have been discovered quite accidentally at the Roos Cave, a lonely farm near Port Victoria, Rhodesia, and are believed to be pure Egyptian art, says an Exchange (Cape Town) correspondent. They depict a group of minstrels, and have been identified as of Egyptian origin by Dr. Impey, the author of well-known antiquarian works.

Found in a rubbish heap at Harrow after it had passed through the destructor fires, radium worth £1,500 has been restored to Charing Cross Hospital after being missing for several days. It was missed after an operation, and although search was made high and low nothing was found. The various particles were successfully separated from the refuse and restored to the hospital, the radium, on account of its indestructible qualities, being in no way affected.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	FRIDAY, APRIL	Per
Australia & Manila	8	Changte.
Japan & Shanghai	9	Kamo Maru.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	10	Empress of Russia.
Shanghai	11	Sunning.
Europe via Negapatam (letters and papers)	11	
London, 10th March		Yuenyang.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	12	Korea Maru.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	12	President Polk.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	12	President Taft.
Japan & Shanghai	12	General Metzinger.
FRIDAY, APRIL	15	
Japan & Shanghai	17	Devanha.
SUNDAY, APRIL	17	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	17	President McKinley.
Straits	17	Hakone Maru.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	FRIDAY, APRIL	Per
Shanghai	8	Seochow
Saigon	9	Wongshickung
Haiphong	9	Devawongse
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,		
E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe		
via Marseilles—due Marseilles		
8th May. Registration 8.45 a.m.		
Letters 9.30 a.m.		
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	9 a.m.	Kamo Maru.
Straits & Calcutta. Parcels Noon.		
Letters 1 p.m.		
Fernosa	2.30 p.m.	Kumsang.
SUNDAY, APRIL	10	
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	9 a.m.	Hozan Maru.
Manila	9 a.m.	Empress of Russia.
MONDAY, APRIL	11	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,		
E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe		
via Marseilles—due Marseilles		
9th May. Parcels 10 a.m., Reg-		
istration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30		
p.m.		
TUESDAY, APRIL	12	
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Noon	Hal Ching
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,		
E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt &		
Europe via Marseilles—due Mar-		
seilles 18th May. Registration		
1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.		
Swatow	5 p.m.	General Metzinger.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL	13	
Manila, Australia & New Zealand		
via Thursday Island—due Thurs-		
day Island 24th April. Parcels 9		
p.m. Registration (14th) 8.45		
a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		
THURSDAY, APRIL	14	
Straits	2 p.m.	Changte.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

SHOOTING TRAGEDY

East Surrey's Colonel Killed.

LIEUTENANT BLAMED.

Gibraltar, April 7.
Lieut. Colonel J. S. FitzGerald, Commanding the Second East Surrey's, has been shot dead by Lieutenant A. C. Duffield, of the same Regiment.—Reuter.

"He Has Shot Me."

At the inquest on Lieut. Colonel FitzGerald, the Adjutant gave evidence that Lieut. Duffield entered the orderly room to see Lieut. Col. FitzGerald, who said: "He has shot me—arrest him."
All the witnesses were brother officers. They testified that there was no feeling of ill-will. On the contrary Lieut. Duffield had lately been complimented on his good work.
The inquest was adjourned.—Reuter.

The Colonel's Career.

Lt. Col. James Stephens FitzGerald was born on Aug. 30, 1878. On Feb. 17, 1900, he was appointed 2nd Lt. in the Royal Irish Regiment, promotion coming as follows:—Lieut. on March 20, 1902; Captain on March 3, 1908; Major on Sept. 1, 1915; Lt. Col. on Oct. 13, 1924.

From 1906 to 1909, he was an adjutant in the Royal Irish Regiment.

As a Major, he was transferred to the East Surrey Regt. on Aug. 12, 1922.

A graduate of the Staff College, Lt. Col. FitzGerald held three staff appointments after the war, Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, Irish Command; D.A.A.G., War Office; and D.A.A. and Quarter Master General, Southern Command.

Transferred Together.

Lieut. Austin Christopher Duffield was born on Oct. 17, 1900. On July 16, 1920, he received his first appointment as a 2nd Lt. in the Leinster Regiment. Exactly two years later, he was promoted Lieut. and on Aug. 12, 1922, he was transferred to the East Surrey Regt. (the same date as Lt. Col. FitzGerald).

The 2nd Batt. of the East Surrey Regt. (the old 70th Foot) is at Gibraltar. The 1st Batt. was in Hong Kong until the 2nd K.O.S.B.'s relieved them and they are now at Rawalpindi in India.

COOLIE THIEF.

RAN INTO THE ARMS OF THE LAW.

Inspector Blackman this morning charged a Chinese before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with the theft of a roll of cloth from the Yu Kay piece goods shop of No. 104, Queen's Road East.

Accused said that a man paid him five cents to carry the cloth. Being a street coolie who had to work hard to earn 30 or 40 cents a day five cents for such an easy job was not to be turned down.

A foki of the shop said he actually saw the accused crouching in front of a pile of rolls of cloth at the entrance of the shop. When he thought he was sure that he was not being watched accused took a roll of cloth from the middle of the pile and placing on his shoulder walked away. Witness raised the alarm and accused took to his heels. When witness had almost caught up to him accused dropped the cloth and dashed into a side lane right into the arms of a detective.

Sentence of three weeks' jail was passed.

As he was being led below the prisoner yelled defiance at the shop foki, whereupon the Magistrate recalled the man and gave him an additional week in jail in which to cool down.

KAILAN MINES' OUTPUT.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending March 19, amounted to 30,552 tons, and the sales during the period to 30,428 tons.

Knocked down by a motor car in Harrison Hill Road yesterday, a Chinese woman received injuries to her head and arm. She was taken to the hospital.

NOT TOO YOUNG.

BOY BIRCHED FOR HAVING OPIUM.

MAN FINED \$1,000 OR JAIL.

A Chinese man and a youth were this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with the unlawful possession of 12 taels of non-Government opium. Both pleaded "guilty."

Chief Preventative Officer Clark said the boy was arrested in Connaught Road West with the opium tied round his waist, and he pointed out the man as the person who had given him the drug to carry. Having got the principal the C.P.O. said he would like to withdraw the charge against the boy.

Magistrate: Why? He had possession of the drug.

C.P.O. Clark: Yes, but he is only 14 years of age.

Remark that the boy was not too young to realize that he was doing wrong, the Magistrate passed sentence on both accused.

The man was fined \$1,000 or six months' jail, and the boy was ordered to receive 10 strokes of the birch.

PROPELLER LASSOED

JARDINE'S BOAT DELAYED TO-DAY.

DIVERS TO RESCUE.

The Indo-China Navigation Company vessel "Namsang," which was due to leave Hong Kong this morning at 7 a.m. for Amoy and Japan has been delayed from so doing by the "lassoing" of the ship's propeller, a rope from the ship's side having wound its way round the propeller.

Diving operations are being carried out to release the rope and it is expected that the vessel will leave later in the day or tomorrow.

FORGED NOTES SEIZED.

A Chinese passenger from Canton was arrested yesterday when counterfeit notes to the value of \$5,000 was found in his possession. Revenue Officers searched passengers' luggage on board the s.s. "Sai On" on her arrival in port at 2.30 p.m., and the "dud" notes were found in two caddies of tea carried by the arrested man. Besides these and an umbrella he had no other personal property. The forgeries which were all \$10 notes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank were carefully concealed among the tea leaves in several neatly tied bundles.

Beyond stating that his name was Tse Man-sing and that he was a native of Hoi Ping the arrested man refused to make a statement to the police.

DOG BITES LADY.

Mrs. Perry, a resident of the Kowloon Hotel, was yesterday bitten by a spaniel dog owned by her husband. She was attended to by a doctor and the dog was taken to the Mataukok Depot for observation.

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TERRIBLE INJURIES.

WOMAN KILLED WITH CHOPPERS.

MYSTERY OF THE MOTIVE.

A Chinese woman died at the Kwong Wah Hospital at 4.30 p.m., yesterday as the result of having been brutally assaulted with choppers by two men.

In her dying depositions to the police the woman said the two men came to her hut in the Chuking village, Kowloon City, at 10.30 p.m., the previous night and gained admittance by saying they were friends of her husband. When informed that the husband was not in the men elected to wait. She set cups of tea before them and after sitting about for a little time the men suddenly jumped up and tackled her. One got hold of her by the throat while the other attempted to put a rope round her neck. She struggled violently whereupon the men picked up choppers and hacked her with them until she lost consciousness.

The woman gave descriptions of both men, one of whom she said she had seen before.

The motive of the attack was evidently not robbery as the interior of the hut did not appear to have been ransacked.

AT THE QUEEN'S.

EXCELLENT ALL-ROUND PROGRAMME.

"THE COAST OF FOLLY."

The band of the 1st Cameronians rendered selections so ably at the beginning of the 9.20 performance at the Queen's last night that the audience was loath to let them go. Owing to the length of the pictorial programme, however, the Band was not able to respond to the insistent demands for encores when the curtain fell.

Opening with topical world happenings recorded by Gaumont Graphic and an excellent Pathe comedy "Starvation Blues," the film entertainment amply compensated the audience for their loss in regard to the Band.

The big picture is "The Coast of Folly" in which Gloria Swanson plays the part of this lovely and high spirited daughter who comes into the heritage of her mother's misstep and is almost wrecked on the coast of folly through her association in a sensation-mongering Press with a wealthy and popular member of the masculine set.

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